

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) The matter is under consideration.

Implementation of provisions of Disabilities Act, 1995 in CAG and other accounting organisations

3047. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether provisions contained in the Persons with the Disabilities (Equal Opportunity and Full Participation) Act, 1995 are being implemented for the benefit of disabled in States/ UTs in true spirit;

(b) whether clauses of the Act relating to reservation of jobs and appointment through promotion have been implemented by CAG, and other accounting organizations while filling up posts of JAO/ SAS through promotion;

(c) whether handicapped persons promoted as Junior Accounts Officers can be reverted without any charges;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) if not the number of cases in which JAOs have been reverted during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) The implementation of Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 requires a multi-sectoral collaborative approach of all the Central Ministries/Departments, State Governments/UT Administrations and other appropriate authorities. They have all been requested to take necessary action to implement provisions of the Act concerning them. The action taken in this regard includes constitution of State Coordination Committee and State Executive Committee, appointment of Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities; 3% reservation in jobs, and appointment of competent authority for registration of NGOs.

(b) to (e) As per Department of Personnel and Training's clarification, reservation for persons with disabilities for filling up posts in Junior Accounts Officer (Group B) cadre is applicable, if appointment is by direct recruitment. As all posts in the Junior Accounts Officer's cadre are filled by promotion, there is no separate reservation for persons with disabilities in the cadre.